SI. No.	Name of the State	Name of the District
7.	Uttar Pradesh	1. Chandauli
	TOTAL:	32
	GRAND TOTAL:	147

Increase in price of power

† 1084. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
DR. MURU MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain companies in the power sector of the country are engaged in work of power selling;

(b) if so, the names of these companies;

(c) whether any guidelines have also been issued to these companies about earning profit;

(d) if so, the details with regard to these guidelines; and

(e) the percentage of increase in price of power made by these companies selling power at present?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) The electricity traders are engaged in the business of purchase and resale of electricity. The Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) is empowered to grant licence for inter-State trading in electricity. So far, CERC has issued 19 (nineteen) licences for inter-State trading. The list of such inter-State electricity traders is enclosed as Statement. (See below)

(c) to (e) The Electricity Act, 2003 under section 79(1) (j) enables the CERC to fix trading margin for inter-State trading of electricity, if considered necessary.

The CERC found that nearly 90% of trading during the year 2004-05 was done at a trading margin of 5 paise per unit or less, but the same had increased to a weighted average of 10 paise per unit in the first half of the year 2005-06. Up to the year 2004-05, trading margin was of the order of 5 paise per unit or less. However, trading margins shot up in the first half of the year 2005-06 and 68% of volume traded by the electricity

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

traders carried a margin of 6 paise per unit or more in spite of the fact that CERC had simplified the Open Access Regulations in 2005. The instance of highest trading margin in a single transaction in 2004-05 was 43 paise per unit and in the first half of the year 2005-06, it was 128 paise per unit.

In exercise of its statutory power, the CERC has fixed at 4 paise per unit of electricity sold by the traders with effect from 27.1.2006. The trading margin has been fixed by the CERC to arrest this rising trend in the trading margin charged by the electricity traders. The trading margin of 4 paise per unit is exclusive of transmission charges, application fee, unscheduled interchange (Ul) charges and transmission losses.

Statement

List of company/firms who have been granted licence for inter-state trading in Electricity

(As on 28th February, 2006)

SI.No.	Name of applicant	Date of issue of Licence/Status/ Category
1	2	3
1.	Lanco Electric Utility Ltd. LANCO House, 141, Avenue, 8, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad—500 034	23.07.2004 "C" Category
2.	Vinergy International Private Ltd. 403, Arun Chambers, Tardeo Main, Road, Mumbai—400 034	12.07.2004 "B" Category
3.	Tata Power Trading Company Ltd. 34, Sant Tukaram Road, Carnac Bunder, Mumbai—400 009	09.06.2004 "F" Category
4.	PTC India Ltd. 2nd Floor, NBCC Tower, 15, Bhikaji Cama Place New Delhi—110 066.	30.06.2004 "F" Category

1	2	3
5.	DLF Limited, DLF Galleria, 12th Floor, DLF City, Phase-IV, Gurgaort—122 002, Haiyana	02.11.2004 "A" Category
6.	Adani Exports Ltd. 13, Patam Marg, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi—110 057	09.06.2004 MF" Category
7.	Reliance Energy Trading Ltd. Reliance Energy Centre Santa Cruz (E), Mumbai—400 055	30.06.2004 "F" Category
8.	NTPC Vidyut Vyapar Nigam Ltd. 7th Floor, Core—6, Scope Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi—110 003	23.07.2004 "F" Category
9.	Chhattisgarh Electricity Company Ltd. Industrial Growth Centre Sittara, Raipur—493 111	03.11.2004 "A" Category
10.	MMTC Limited Core-1, Scope Complex, 7, Institutional Area, Lodhi Road, New Delhi—110 003.	23.07.2004 "C" Category
11.	GMR Energy Ltd. Skip House, 25/1, Museum Road, Bangalore—560 025	09.11.2004 "A" Category
12.	Jindal Steel & Power Ltd. Jindal Centre, 12, Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi	02.11.2004 "A" Category
13.	Karam Chand Thapar & Bros. (Coal Sales) Ltd. KCT Block, Rishyamook Building, 85-A, Panchkuin Road, New Delhi—110 001.	27.1.2005 "A" Category

1	2	3
14.	Subhash Kabini Power Corporation Ltd. 8/2, Ulsoor Road, Bangalore—560 042	26.05.2005 "A" Category
15.	Special Blasts Ltd. Nathani Building, Shastri Chowk, Raipur—492 001 (Chhattisgarh)	21.07.2005 "A" Category
16.	Maheshwary Ispat Ltd. P-5, Kalakar Street, Ground Floor, Kolkata—700 007	19.07.2005 "A" Category
17.	Instinct Advertisement & Marketing Pvt. Ltd. C-201, Naraina Industrial Area, Phase—I, New Delhi—110 028	07.09.2005 "A" Category
18.	Essar Electric Power Development Corporation Ltd. Essar House, 11 Keshavrao Khadye Marg, Mahalaxmi, Mumbai—400 034	14.12.2005 "C" Category
19.	Suryachakra Power Corporation Ltd. 3-6-725, 1st Floor, Street No. 11, Himayathnagar, Hyderabad—500 029.	22.02.2006 "A" Category

New hydro power projects

1085. SHRIV. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the NTPC is planning 5 Mega Hydro Power Projects in the country; and

(b) if so, the States that have been identified for building Hydro Power Projects?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) Koldam Hydro-Electric Power Project (800 MW) in Himachal Pradesh, which is being implemented by NTPC, is a Mega Power Project. In addition, NTPC envisages to implement two more Mega Power Projects.